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TADAO ENDO

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For: PHOTOELECTRIC CONVERSION
DEVICE, RADIATION DETECTION
APPARATUS, IMAGE PROCESSING
SYSTEM, AND DRIVING METHOD
THEREOF

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(1) U.S. Patent No. 5,905,772

(2) U.S. Patent No. 4,737,653

(3) U.S. Patent No. 4,359,759

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